



# LEAD TO SUCCEED

Student Leadership Newsletter

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Dedicated to ISU student leaders who challenge themselves to serve others and who s-t-r-e-t-c-h themselves to get the most out of the learning laboratory of ISU.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Leadership Symposium

### October 18 & 19

Got Character? Here's your chance to get more! The 11th Annual Leadership Symposium is an event which provides focus on leadership with an emphasis on issues of ethics and character. This year's Symposium is all day on Friday, October 19 in Pocatello. A shorter version will also be offered on the afternoon of Thursday, October 18 in Idaho Falls.

The Symposium guest speaker is Kay Augustine from Drake University in Iowa. Kay serves in the Leadership Council and is a national faculty member for the Character Counts! Program for the Josephson Institute of Ethics in Los Ange-

les. Kay is excited to work with any and all ISU students, faculty, staff and community members at this event.

In 1992, the Josephson Institute of Ethics hosted a gathering of experts in ethics and character education to find ways to work together, by developing a common language of core ethical values that transcend religious, political and socioeconomic differences.

These experts identified core values which are referred to as the "Six Pillars of Character" — trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. Character Counts! was developed to advance these Six Pillars of Character.

If you are interested in gaining an understanding of how to apply the "Six Pillars of Character" then this is a great opportunity for you.

If you are interested in improving your consciousness, competencies, and commitment regarding leadership, ethics, and character, then this is a great opportunity for you.

If you are interested in developing and practicing fundamental skills in ethical thinking and ethical decision-making, then this is a great opportunity for you.

If you would like to interact with other members of the ISU community on these subject areas and have a fun and interesting learning experience at the same time, then this is a great opportunity for you.

If you would like to receive FREE resource materials that you will be able to take with you for your use in the future, then this is a great opportunity for you.

Please RSVP to the ISU Leadership Program by emailing [olivheid@isu.edu](mailto:olivheid@isu.edu) or calling 282-3154 by noon on Wednesday, October 17, to reserve your FREE space for the symposium and so we can compile materials and order a breakfast and lunch for Pocatello participants.





# “TIGER BY THE TAIL”

## Student Leadership Profile

**Name:** Matt Spencer

**Current Position:** ASISU Senator for Arts and Sciences

**What other leadership positions have you held?** ASISU Government Relations Board

**What motivated you to take these positions?** I wanted to get more involved with ASISU

**What is your field of academic training?** I am an American Studies Major. I really like it. The requirements for the major allow me to qualify for a minor in Political Science, and a minor in English.

**What are some of your most significant past accomplishments?** I served an LDS mission in Colorado. This past summer I put 10,000 miles road tripping on a motorcycle.

**What are your most significant current challenges?** I would like to see students get more involved. Getting students involved in different aspects of campus life seems to be a great challenge here at Idaho State University. I don't feel that my personal challenges are any harder than anyone else's. I personally feel that if a person can keep a positive perspective no challenge will be significant.

**Who do you admire the most as a leader? Why?** I really like Abraham Lincoln. Some of his accomplishments were amazing. He is inspiring because of all the things he was able to overcome on the way to the Presidency.

**What do you think are the most important qualities or characteristics of a leader? Why?** I think an important quality in good leaders is the ability to get their hands dirty

with hard work. A good leader should lead by example.

**What advice can you give to other leaders?** The best advice I could give is get to work. I think it is important to be accountable for the decisions you make as a leader. I also think it is important to be able to handle criticism and to be able to admit when you are wrong.

**Do you have any favorite quotes?** "A tendency to melancholy...let it be observed, is a misfortune, not a fault." – Abraham Lincoln



### Real Reality Shows: Community Cinema 2007-2008



The second film to show in this year's Community Cinema series, *Miss Navajo*, takes audience members inside the Miss Navajo Nation Pageant.

For more than 50 years, the Miss Navajo Nation pageant contestants have showcased not only their beauty, but also their skills in music, cooking and other cultural knowledge, including a recent addition—fluency in the Navajo language. The film follows



these young women in their quest for the crown and features personal stories of recent winners. *MISS NAVAJO* is a unique celebration of womanhood.

The film will screen on Tuesday, October 23 at 5:30pm in the Bengal Movie Theater. A half hour audience discussion will follow this film. Admission is free to ISU students, faculty, staff, and the general community. Free soda and popcorn provided!

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**S-t-r-e-t-c-h Yourself!**

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